STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

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This legislation would prohibit the use of restraints on pregnant female prisoners during labor except under certain conditions. The intent of the legislation would be to protect the State of Idaho by implementing a policy which conforms to recent decisions from the 8th Circuit Court of Appeals and a federal district court in Washington State.

FISCAL NOTE

Potential cost savings in the form of legal fees if a lawsuit arose in the absence of clear policy.



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